

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 586
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A RESOLUTION to honor and congratulate Jack Looney of
Cumberland County on being selected for the
Friends of Farmers Award.

WHEREAS, it is the great pleasure of this General Assembly to honor and congratulate those citizens who, through their extraordinary efforts, have furthered the science of agriculture in the State of Tennessee; and

WHEREAS, Jack Looney of Cumberland County is one such noteworthy individual, who was recently selected for the Friends of Farmers Award by the Greater Cumberland County Chamber of Commerce and the Cumberland County Farm Bureau; and

WHEREAS, the Friends of Farmers Award is presented to individuals who have made outstanding contributions to agriculture, and Jack Looney is certainly no exception; and

WHEREAS, the son of the late C. Evans Looney and Ruth Looney, Jack Looney grew up in the Homesteads; he graduated from Cumberland County High School, and attended the University of Tennessee, before commencing his career in the agriculture business; and

WHEREAS, after a short stint selling a new and popular corn, Silver Queen, Mr. Looney began farming full time, and with his brother, developed one of the most successful commercial cattle operations in Tennessee; and

WHEREAS, in 2000, the Looneys' herd was recognized nationally as the Commercial Herd of the Year; and

WHEREAS, in addition to his many agricultural achievements, Jack Looney is actively involved in many organizations, including the Cumberland County Farm Bureau and the Cumberland County Livestock Producers; and

WHEREAS, a deeply spiritual man, Mr. Looney is a devout member of the First Methodist Church of Crossville, where he is a member of the Board of Trustees; and

WHEREAS, his many professional and personal accomplishments aside, Jack Looney is perhaps most grateful for the love and companionship he shares with his family; and

WHEREAS, the proud father of Guy, Mr. Jack Looney was married to the late Shirley Watson Looney for 32 years; and

WHEREAS, professionals and agriculturists such as Jack Looney are vital in upholding and maintaining Tennessee's agriculture industry; without their contributions, this lifeblood of Tennessee would be severely hindered; and

WHEREAS, it is appropriate that we should honor him for his great contributions to agriculture and farming in the State of Tennessee; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we honor and congratulate Jack Looney of Cumberland County on being selected for the Friends of Farmers Award, salute his dedication to agriculture, and wish him the best in his every future endeavor.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

